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SUBJECT: RATIFICATION OF PROTOCOL AMENDING SINGLE CONVENTION
ON NARCOTIC DRUGS, 1961

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1. DCM CALLED ON MFA DIRECTOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
YUKSEL SOYLEMEZ JANUARY 29 TO URGE EARLY GOT RATIFICATION
OF PROTOCOL AMENDING SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS.
DCM EXPRESSED HOPE PROCESS COULD BE COMPLETED BEFORE
FEBRUARY SESSION OF COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS.

2. SOYLEMEZ SAID THIS WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE. GOT "LIKES
THE PROTOCOL AT THE TECHNICAL AND DIPLOMATIC LEVEL," HE SAID.
THAT IS WHY TURKEY HAD SIGNED IT. ACHIEVING NECESSARY
DOMESTIC POLITICAL SUPPORT FOR ITS RATIFICATION, HOWEVER, WAS
A LONG AND ARDUOUS PROCESS. MFA HAD NO INTENTION OF SUB-
MITTING PROTOCOL TO PRESENT PARLIAMENT WHICH MIGHT WELL BE
DISSOLVED WITHIN NEXT FEW MONTHS.

3. MFA WOULD HAVE ULTIMATELY TO DETERMINE WHEN TIME WAS
RIGHT FOR SUBMISSION OF PROTOCOL TO PARLIAMENT, CONTINUED
SOYLEMEZ. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE SAID, IT WOULD BE
HELPFUL IF, AT TIME OF SUBMISSION, MFA COULD REPORT
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PROGRESS TOWARD ACHIEVEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL CONTROLS

ON PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES PRODUCED BY THE HIGHLY
INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES. THIS WOULD HELP REBUT PARLIAMENTARY
CRITICISM THAT PROTOCOL AMENDING SINGLE
CONVENTION DISCRIMINATED AGAINST AGRICULTURAL COUNTRIES
WHICH PRODUCED NATURAL NARCOTIC MATERIALS.

4. SOYLEMEE CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT SOONER OR LATER
MFA WOULD SUBMIT PROTOCOL TO PARLIAMENT BUT THAT HE
COULD MAKE NO PREDICTION AS TO WHEN THIS WOULD TAKE
PLACE.
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